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# **HYDROGRAM**

**National Imagery and Mapping Agency  
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## **QUARTERLY SUMMARY OF INFORMATION OF INTEREST TO NAVIGATORS**

NAVAREAS, HYDROPACS AND HYDROLANTS- SEE SECTION III.

### **DISCONTINUANCE OF 121.5 AND 243 MHZ FOR SATELLITE DISTRESS ALERTS TO BEGIN**

THE INTERNATIONAL COSPAS-SARSAT PROGRAM HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO TERMINATE SATELLITE PROCESSING OF DISTRESS SIGNALS FROM 121.5 AND 243 MHZ EMERGENCY BEACONS. SEE SECTION III FOR DETAILS.

### **NIMA MARINE NAVIGATION DEPARTMENT YEAR 2000 CONTINGENCY OPERATIONS**

ALL PRODUCTION SYSTEMS WITHIN THE MARINE NAVIGATION DEPARTMENT OF THE NATIONAL IMAGERY AND MAPPING AGENCY HAVE FULLY PASSED ALL YEAR 2000 TESTS. CONTINGENCIES HAVE ALSO BEEN ESTABLISHED TO ENSURE TIMELY DISSEMINATION OF MARITIME SAFETY INFORMATION. SEE SECTION III FOR DETAILS.